FSB Waiver Process

Purpose

To provide a formal mechanism for Flight Software Branch (FSB) development teams to request waivers from FSB standards and templates.

Scope

This process applies to all FSB standards and templates.

Entry

 Team wishes to use a standard or process that deviates from FSB baselined standards.

OR

 Team has developed a document, based on a FSB template, that deviates from some of the template content.

Exit

· Waiver(s) granted

OR

Waiver(s) denied

Inputs

• FSB Waiver Request Form filled out

OR

• Document for review, with Waiver Appendix filled out

Outputs

• Signed Waiver Request Form.

OR

· Signed Document

Roles

PDL, DTL, or TTL:

• Submits Waiver Requests.

FSB Standards CCB CMO

- Schedules consideration of Waiver Request at the next FSB Standards CCB meeting, or convenes a special meeting if request is urgent.
- Distributes Waiver Request to FSB Standards CCB members at least 1 week before the meeting.
- · Records disposition of waiver requests.

FSB Standards CCB

- · Considers Waiver Requests.
- Recommends disposition of Waiver Requests.

FSB Branch Head

- Considers FSB Standards CCB Recommendations.
- Approves or denies Waiver Requests

Consultant:

 Not a permanent FSB Standards Member. Drafted temporarily to assist with technical issues

Tools

- FSB Standards CCB web page at: http://fsw.gsfc.nasa.gov/Internal/StandardsCCB/
- FSB Standards CCB document repository at: http://fsw.gsfc.nasa.gov/internal/DDB/DDB_Home.cfm?DDBName=StandardsCCB

Tasks

- Request Waiver
- Prepare for FSB Standards Meeting
- Consider Waiver Request
- Disposition Waiver Request
- Record Waiver Request Dispositions

Task: Request Waiver

If the waiver is a deviation from a FSB Standard:

- Fill out a Waiver Request Form.
- E-mail the Waiver Request Form to the FSB Standards CCB CMO.
- Attend the FSB Standards CCB meeting to defend the request(s).

(PDL, DTL, or TTL)

If the waiver is a deviation from a FSB Template:

- Develop the document
- Keep track of requested deviations in the Waivers Appendix (normally Appendix B).
- E-mail the completed document to the FSB Standards CCB CMO
- Attend the FSB Standards CCB Meeting to defend the request(s).

Task: Prepare for FSB Standards CCB Meeting

Distribute Waiver Request(s) to FSB Standards CCB members at least 1 week prior to meeting.

Schedule a special meeting if the request must be dispositioned before the next scheduled meeting.

(FSB Standards CCB CMO)

Task: Consider Waiver Request

Discuss the waiver request(s) in the FSB Standards CCB meeting.

Reach a consensus recommendation to approve or deny the request

(FSB Standards CCB; PDL, DTL, or TTL; Consultants as required)

Task: Disposition Waiver Request

Consider FSB Standards CCB recommendation

If the waiver is a deviation from a FSB Standard:

Approve or deny the Waiver Request Form.

(Branch Head)

If the waiver is a deviation from a FSB Template:

Approve or deny the Waiver Request Appendix

Task: Record Waiver Request Dispositions

Record Waiver Request disposition(s) in the FSB Standards CCB minutes.

Record the FSB Standards CCB minutes in the CCB Minutes repository.

Archive electronic Waiver Request Form(s)

(FSB Standards CCB CMO)

Ownership

The FSW Branch Head is the owner of this policy. The FSB Standards CCB has approval authority.

Change History

Version	Date	Change
0.1	06/23/05	Initial draft.
1.0	06/30/05	Updated to include FSB Standards CCB suggestions.